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# News Letter

February 3, 1978

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## *U Council supports HE Coalition efforts*

The University Council at its meeting of Jan. 18, 1978, adopted, without a dissenting vote, a motion to support the Higher Education Coalition's efforts to obtain salary raises

for all employees in higher education, including a "catch-up" raise of \$1,500 or 15% whichever is the greater across-the-board salary increase for all employees.

The Council expressed disappointment at the Governor's request for a 7.5% increase for those in higher and secondary education.

Council members also expressed strong support for a unified effort on the part of all segments of higher education in this quest for higher salaries.

### Gratitude expressed

I wish to express my gratitude to all faculty and staff who attended the Special Convocation inaugurating the Marshall University School of Medicine. That day will be long remembered by the entire Tri-State community, as well as by the University. I especially want to thank the faculty, who by their participation in the traditional academic procession, truly enhanced the dignity of this occasion.

Sincerely,

Robert B. Hayes  
President

## MU students compete for College Bowl play

College Bowl rounds are continuing on the Marshall campus, according to Nancy P. Hindsley, Student Activities/Cultural Events advisor, who is the university's designated College Bowl official.

Eight teams each composed of four players and an alternate, have participated in the competition. The winning team from Marshall will go to Morris Harvey College for "practice" intercollegiate matches on Feb. 27 to prepare for competition in the Region IV rounds scheduled for March 4 in Gettysburg, Pa.

"A number of faculty and staff members have helped make the campus competition successful," Mrs. Hindsley said. Among those assisting her in coordinating the events are:

Mary-Ann Thomas, dean of student life; Dr. Mary Marshall, assistant professor health, physical education and recreation, and Edwin Vinson, interim advisor, Marshall Artists Series.

Serving as moderators are Dr. Clair Matz, associate professor of political science; Maureen Milicia, assistant professor speech; Dr. William Denman, associate professor of speech and David Lockwood, attorney for students.

Carl Johnson, assistant professor of curriculum and foundations; Coral Snodgrass, instructor of finance and business law; Dr. Corey Lock, assistant professor of curriculum and foundations, and Rita Mann, coordinator of student conduct and welfare, have been judges.

Coaches include Dr. Gail Wiggett, assistant professor of geology; Dr. David Patterson, associate professor of criminal justice; Dr. Karen Simpkins, assistant professor of sociology/anthropology; Robert Mutchnick, assistant professor of criminal justice; Dr. Donna Spindel, assistant professor of history, and Ann Zanzig, residence life director.

## CCC to resume fellowship luncheons

The informal faculty luncheon programs, sponsored by the Campus Christian Center, are under way again this semester and faculty and staff members are welcome to participate, according to Jackie Sturm, Center office manager.

The informal fellowship luncheons are held at noon on Mondays and Wednesday and at 12:30 on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Normally there is no structured program, however on alternate Wednesdays a speaker discusses a topic of mutual interest.

There is a luncheon charge of \$1.50 which not only pays for your lunch, but also buys a lunch for an elderly person through the Meals on Wheels program.

Faculty or staff members interested in participating should call Jackie Sturm at 696-2444.

## 'Ruddigore' slated by Opera Workshop

"Ruddigore," Gilbert and Sullivan's comic opera, will be presented by the Marshall University Opera Workshop at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, in Smith Recital Hall.

Directed by Dr. Paul A. Balshaw, MU professor of music, the production is free and open to the public.

A typical Gilbert and Sullivan work, "Ruddigore" is a satirical parody of 19th Century British social conventions, according to Balshaw. "It also might be considered a take-off or spoof of the operatic melo-dramas of that period," Balshaw said.

The opera's story involves the Ruddigore Baronetcy curse under which the heirs to the title must either commit one deadly crime per day or perish in "inconceivable agony."

### Faculty meeting

The January 31 faculty meeting was recessed at 5:15 p.m., after two items on the agenda were covered. It will be resumed at 4 p.m., Tuesday, February 7, in Old Main Auditorium.

# *Faculty and staff achievements, activities...*

DR. BRUCE ARDINGER, assistant professor of English and director of writing, delivered a paper, "The Values of Technical Writing: A Matter of Definition," before the Technical Communications and Humanities session of the annual Modern Language Association convention in Chicago on Dec. 29.

DR. FRANK J. MININNI, associate professor of philosophy, attended the annual convention of the American Academy of Religion, held in San Francisco Dec. 28-31. He delivered a paper entitled "Nihilism and the Frankfurt School of Social Research."

JOHN McKERNAN, assistant professor of English, gave a poetry reading before the Washington Literary Society at Randolph-Macon College on Dec. 6. He also spoke before the

Randolph-Macon Classics Club on "Problems in Translating Greek and Latin into American Idioms."

JOHN McKERNAN, assistant professor of English, published two poems in the Dec. 17, 1977, issue of *The Real Paper* (Boston, Mass.): "Insomnia" and "Digging for Father."

DR. RICHARD O. COMFORT, professor of sociology and anthropology, is co-hosting a 12-week television series, "The Tri-State-Today and Tomorrow," which can be seen at 1:30 p.m. Saturdays on WOWK-TV. Sharing the hosting duties is Skip Corey, field director of the Tri-State Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America, which is sponsoring the program. The series' purpose is to discuss some of the positive, creative and innovative programs influencing the lives of area residents.

DEAN A. ADKINS, assistant professor of biology, has been reappointed to the Manuscript Review Panel of The American Biology Teacher.

DR. MICHAEL J. GALGANO, associate professor of history, presented a paper, "Poor and Pious: Papist and Quaker Women in the Restoration Northwest," before the 92nd annual meeting of the American Historical Association in Dallas, Texas, Dec. 28.

DR. DAVID R. WOODARD, professor of history, has an article, "British Intervention in Russia During the First World War" in the December issue of *Military Affairs*.

## *Student Activities Office sponsors trip to Miami, Fla.*

Marshall faculty and staff members are invited to participate in the spring break trip to Miami, Fla., sponsored by the Student Activities Office.

A fee of \$169 covers roundtrip transportation via Greyhound deluxe motorcoach, five nights/six days at the Barcelona Hotel, a first class beachfront hotel, and several other items. The hotel rate is based on quad occupancy. For double occupancy rate, add \$15 per person.

The bus departs Huntington March 19 and returns March 26. Additional information may be obtained by calling the Student Activities Office, 696-6770.

## **Personnel personals**

Ruth Christ Sullivan is the editor of the Director: U.S. Facilities and Programs for Children with Severe Mental Illnesses, recently published by the National Institute for Mental Health, a division of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare. Mrs. Sullivan, the wife of Dr. William P. Sullivan, professor of English, edited the first edition of the director.

Matthew Wayne Duncan, 9 lbs. and 21 inches long, was born on Oct. 13 to Janet and Wayne Duncan. The mother is a counselor in Special Services and the father is a clinical psychology graduate student.

Mary Faith Pusey and Mark David Pankin were united in marriage Jan. 1 in a ceremony performed at the home of the bride's parents in Lexington, Va. The bride is assistant catalogue librarian for the James E. Morrow Library and the groom is assistant professor of mathematics.

Proud of an accomplishment of a family member? Just married? Want to share some good news with your colleagues at Marshall? The News Letter would be happy to publish personal items for you. Send them through campus mail or hand deliver them to Judith Casto, University Relations, Old Main 112.

## **Orchestra here Feb. 10**

The Camerata Orchestra of Salzburg will perform Friday, Feb. 10, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall as part of the Marshall Forum Series.

Admission to Forum programs is by season membership ticket or MU student activity card.

The ensemble's program will include: Handel's Concerto Grosso, Opus 6, No. 6; Vivaldi's Concerto for Cello and Orchestra; Hindemith's Trauermusik for Cello and Orchestra, and Mozart's Symphony KV. 201 in A Major.

## *Excused absences...*

Absences have been excused by the respective college deans for the following:

JAN. 26--Craig Snyder, Keith Carper, Jeannette Oldaker and Chester Madden.

## *Wanted: volunteers*

The Marshall Athletic Department needs volunteers to help in staging three important track events this spring--the Southern Conference Outdoor Championships, the Marshall Invitational and the Hall of Fame Relays.

Members of the faculty or staff interested in assisting should call either Ed Starling, 696-3190, or Rod O'Donnell, 696-6190.

## *Choral Union open to all*

Members of the Marshall University administration, faculty and staff and their families are invited to join the MU Choral Union, a mixed chorus with membership from both the campus and community.

Rehearsals for the group's spring program, Mendelssohn's oratorio "Saint Paul," begin Monday, Feb. 6, at 7:30 p.m. in Smith Music Hall 150. Rehearsals are held each Monday evening and anyone unable to attend the first session may attend subsequent ones.

No auditions are required, according to Dr. Paul Balshaw, professor of music and Choral Union director. Additional information may be obtained by calling Balshaw's office, 696-3127.

## **Special library hours**

In the event that classes and offices are closed because of weather conditions, the Library will be open from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. This includes the Medical School Library.

Weekend hours would continue to be observed despite weather conditions. These hours are: Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sunday 1 p.m. - 7 p.m.